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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 21 December 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Eritrea/Ethiopia

Briefing by the Secretariat

Other matters

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 1160 (1998)

3 p.m.	11th meeting* (closed)	Conference Room 7

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* The Chairman will give an oral briefing to interested Members of the United Nations in the same room, immediately following the meeting. Following the oral briefing to Members, the Chairman will give a briefing to the press.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	49th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [125]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.28 and draft decisions A/C.5/54/L.29 and L.30

2. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone [150]

   Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone [172]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.33

3. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [151]

   (a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

   Support Account

   Action on draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.32

4. Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor [173]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.34

5. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 [121]

   Revised estimates under sections 3, Political affairs; 5, Peace-keeping operations and special missions (A/C.5/54/40 and A/54/7/Add.11)

   Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.73 (A/C.5/54/43, A/C.5/54/44 and A/54/675)

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 39

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of amendments (A/54/L.46) to draft resolution A/54/L.23 (Code of Democratic Conduct), under item 39 (Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies) *today*, 21 December 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room A.

Announcements

An informal note containing the present status of discussions on the draft political declaration of the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: Gender Equality, Development and Peace for the Twenty-first Century", as well as on the proposed structure for the outcome document, is available in the Division for the Advancement of Women (room DC2-1216), as well as on the Web site of the Division (www.un.org.womenwatch.daw).

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Reporting material for the thirty-eighth session of the Commission for Social Development (8-17 February 2000), including, *inter alia*, the provisional agenda and programme of work, and for the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development, is available in the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (room DC2-1370), as well as on the Web site of the Division (www.un.org/esa/socdev/geneva2000/).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 21 December 1999

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

ARAB GROUP OF THE WHOLE

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

1.15 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN GROUP

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

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Announcement

As from Wednesday, 1 December 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 22 December 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 87th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Macroeconomic policy questions: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585) [97]

   (a) High-level international intergovernmental consideration of financing for development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.1)*

   (b) Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.2)

   (c) Trade and development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.3)*

   (d) Science and technology for development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.4)

   (e) External debt crisis and development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.5)

2. Sectoral policy questions: report of the Second Committee (A/54/586) [98]

3. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587) [99]

   (a) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.1)

   (b) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II): report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.2)

   (c) Women in development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.3)

   (d) Human resources development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.4)

   (e) International migration and development, including the question of the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development to address migration issues: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.5)

   (f) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.6)

   (g) Renewal of the dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.7)

   (h) Implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.8)

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* To be issued.

4. Environment and sustainable development : report of the Second Committee (A/54/588 and Add.7) [100]

   (a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.1)

   (b) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.2)

   (c) Convention on Biological Diversity: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.3)

   (d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.4)

   (e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.5)

   (f) Implementation of the outcome of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.6)

5. Operational activities for development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/589) [101]

6. Training and research: report of the Second Committee (A/54/590) [102]

7. Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources: report of the Second Committee (A/54/591) [103]

8. Globalization and interdependence: report of the Second Committee (A/54/592)* [104]

9. Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006): report of the Second Committee (A/54/593) [105]

10. Report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Second Committee (A/54/594)* [12]

11. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: draft resolution (A/54/L.74) [20]

    (a) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions: draft resolution (A/54/L.76) [20 (b)]

12. Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa: draft resolution (A/54/L.75) [46]

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* To be issued.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold its resumed 1999 session from 17 to 28 January 2000 in Conference Room 4. The agenda is contained in document E/C.2/1999/1.

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Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Pre-session informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold pre-session informal consultations on all matters before the first regular session 2000 at Headquarters on Monday, 17 January 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

First regular session 2000

The first regular session 2000 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from 24 to 28 January 2000 in Conference Room 2, and on 31 January 2000, in the afternoon, in Conference Room 1. The provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and work plan are contained in document DP/2000/L.1. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Delegations, as well as observers, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board ((212) 906-5634) as soon as possible, but not later than Monday, 17 January 2000.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Friday, 17 December 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

83rd plenary meeting

Reports of the Third Committee

The Rapporteur of the Third Committee introduced the reports of the Third Committee on agenda items 106 to 116 and 12.

Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family: report of the Third Committee (A/54/595) [106]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to V recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 27 of its report (A/54/595) (resolutions 54/120, 54/121, 54/122, 54/123 and 54/124).

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 28 of its report (A/54/595).

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 106.

Crime prevention and criminal justice: report of the Third Committee (A/54/596) [107]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to VII recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 31 of its report (A/54/596) (resolutions 54/125, 54/126, 54/127, 54/128, 54/129, 54/130 and 54/131).

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 32 of its report (A/54/596).

The representative of Uganda made a statement on a point of order.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 107.

International drug control: report of the Third Committee (A/54/597) [108]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/54/597) (resolution 54/132).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 108.

Advancement of women: report of the Third Committee (A/54/598 and Corr.1 and 2) [109]

The representative of the Philippines made a statement on a point of order in the course of which he orally corrected draft resolution VI contained in paragraph 34 of the report of the Third Committee (A/54/598).

The representative of Brazil made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to V, VI as orally corrected, VII and VIII recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 34 of its report (A/54/598) (resolutions 54/133, 54/134, 54/135, 54/136, 54/137, 54/138, 54/139 and 54/140).

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote.

Statements on points of order were made by the representatives of Morocco, the Russian Federation, Ecuador, Argentina, Slovenia, China, El Salvador, Nigeria and Cuba.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 109.

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women (A/54/599 and Corr.1 (English only)) [110]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 11 of its report (A/54/599) (resolutions 54/141, 54/142).

The representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia) made a statement in explanation of vote.

The representative of Algeria made a statement on a point of order.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 110.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions: report of the Third Committee (A/54/600) [111]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to V recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 19 of its report (A/54/600) (resolutions 54/143, 54/144, 54/145, 54/146 and 54/147).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 111.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children: report of the Third Committee(A/54/601) [112]

Statements on points of order were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Morocco, Suriname, El Salvador, Ghana, Solomon Islands, Fiji, Costa Rica, Gabon, Pakistan and Zambia.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 12 of its report (A/54/601) (resolutions 54/148 and 54/149).

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 13 of its report (A/54/601).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 112.

Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People: report of the Third Committee (A/54/602) [113]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/54/602) (resolution 54/150).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 113.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination: report of the Third Committee (A/54/603) [114]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 16 of its report (A/54/603) (resolutions 54/153 and 54/154).

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 17 of its report (A/54/603).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 114.

Rights of the peoples to self determination [115]

(a) Report of the Third Committee (A/54/604 and Corr.1 (French only))

(b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/672)

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on the three draft resolutions recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 17 of its report (A/54/604).

	Yes	*Against*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (resolution 54/155)		adopted	
Draft resolution II (recorded vote) (resolution 54/151)	110	16	35
Draft resolution III (recorded vote) (resolution 54/152)	156	2	1

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 115.

Human rights questions: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605) [116]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Third Committee (A/54/605).

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.1 and Corr.1)

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to III recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 16 of its report (A/54/605/Add.1) (resolutions 54/156, 54/157 and 54/158).

The representative of Mexico made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (a) of item 116.

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.2)

The representative of Thailand made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

The representative of Japan made a statement on a point of order.

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on the twenty draft resolutions recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 75 of its report (A/54/605/Add.2).

	Yes	*Against*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (resolution 54/159)		adopted	
Draft resolution II (resolution 54/160)		adopted	
Draft resolution III (resolution 54/161)		adopted	

Draft resolution IV (resolution 54/162)		adopted	
Draft resolution V (resolution 54/163)		adopted	
Draft resolution VI Tenth preambular paragraph (recorded vote)	134	1	14
Draft resolution VI as a whole (resolution 54/166)		adopted	
Draft resolution VII (resolution 54/167)		adopted	
Draft resolution VIII (resolution 54/170)		adopted	
Draft resolution IX (recorded vote) (resolution 54/164)	106	0	58
Draft resolution X (recorded vote) (resolution 54/165)	99	2	64
Draft resolution XI (resolution 54/171)		adopted	
Draft resolution XII (resolution 54/174)		adopted	
Draft resolution XIII (recorded vote) (resolution 54/168)	91	59	10
Draft resolution XIV (recorded vote) (resolution 54/169)	95	1	66
Draft resolution XV (resolution 54/176)		adopted	
Draft resolution XVI (resolution 54/180)		adopted	
Draft resolution XVII (recorded vote) (resolution 54/172)	109	48	7
Draft resolution XVIII Operative paragraph 8 (recorded vote)	136	0	21
Draft resolution XVIII as a whole (recorded vote) (resolution 54/173)	153	0	11
Draft resolution XIX (resolution 54/181)		adopted	
Draft resolution XX Eighth preambular paragraph (recorded vote)	113	44	1
Draft resolution XX Thirteenth preambular paragraph (recorded vote)	111	44	1
Draft resolution XX Operative paragraph 3 (c) (recorded vote)	113	42	3
Draft resolution XX Operative paragraph 3 (e) (recorded vote)	121	39	0
Draft resolution XX Operative paragraph 13 (recorded vote)	114	43	1
Draft resolution XX Operative paragraph 21 (recorded vote)	112	43	2
Draft resolution XX Operative paragraph 22 (recorded vote)	115	42	0
Draft resolution XX as a whole (recorded vote) (resolution 54/175)	119	10	38

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by Chile and Finland (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia).

Statements on points of order were made by the representatives of Qatar, the Russian Federation, Morocco, Togo and Fiji.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 116.

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.3)

Statements in explanations of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of Thailand and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on the ten draft resolutions recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 62 of its report (A/54/605/Add.3).

	Yes	*Against*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (resolution 54/185)		adopted	
Draft resolution II (recorded vote) (resolution 54/177)	61	47	51
Draft resolution III Operative paragraphs 2 (a), 3 (g), 3 (i) and 3 (j) (recorded vote)	94	0	56
Draft resolution III as a whole (recorded vote) (resolution 54/178)	100	3	53
Draft resolution IV (recorded vote) (resolution 54/179)	91	10	54
Draft resolution V (resolution 54/186)		adopted	
Draft resolution VI (resolution 54/187)		adopted	
Draft resolution VII (recorded vote) (resolution 54/182)	89	30	39
Draft resolution VIII (recorded vote) (resolution 54/183)	108	4	45
Draft resolution IX Section III (recorded vote)	120	3	31
Draft resolution IX Sections I and II (recorded vote)	119	0	34
Draft resolution IX as a whole (recorded vote) (resolution 54/184)	123	2	34
Draft resolution X (resolution 54/188)		adopted	

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by China, the Syrian Arab Republic, Bolivia, Albania, India and Jordan.

Statements on points of order were made by the representative of Finland and the Russian Federation.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 116.

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.4)

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.4).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 116.

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.5)

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.5).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (e) of agenda item 116.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 116 as a whole.

Report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Third Committee (A/54/606) [12]

The General Assembly adopted draft decisions I and II recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/54/606).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of all the chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council allocated to the Third Committee.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of all the reports from the Third Committee before it.

84th plenary meeting

Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan; the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security [20 (f) and 50]

(a) Draft resolution (A/54/L.58)

(b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/671)

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.58 (resolution 54/189).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (f) of agenda item 20.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 50.

Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin: draft resolution (A/54/L.47/Rev.1) [24]

The representative of Greece made a statement in the course of which he orally corrected draft resolution A/54/L.47/Rev.1.

The Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.47/Rev.1, as orally corrected (resolution 54/190).

The representative of Greece made a statement.

The representative of Algeria made a statement on a point of order.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 24.

Assistance in mine action: draft resolution (A/54/L.71) [35]

The representative of Finland made a statement in the course of which she introduced and orally corrected draft resolution A/54/L.71.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.71, as orally corrected (resolution 54/191).

The representative of Finland made a statement on a point of order.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 35.

Question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte [62]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of the item and to include it in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fifth session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 62.

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: draft resolution A/54/L.70 [20]

(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions: draft resolution (A/54/L.72/Rev.1)

The representative of Cameroon made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.72/Rev.1.

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement.

The Assembly adopted draft resolutions A/54/L.70 and A/54/L.72/Rev.1 (resolutions 54/192 and 54/96 J).

Statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of the United States and Canada.

The representative of the Sudan made a statement on a point of order.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 20.

The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti [48]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/625)

(b) Letter from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the General Assembly (A/54/629)

(c) Draft resolution A/54/L.36

(d) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/665)

The representative of Saint Lucia made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.36.

Statements were made by the representatives of Haiti, Norway, Canada, Nicaragua, Finland (on behalf of the European and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia), Argentina, France and Venezuela.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.36 (resolution 54/193).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 48.

Question of East Timor [96]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/654)

(b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.73)

The representative of Indonesia made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.73.

The representative of Portugal made a statement in the course of which he also introduced draft resolution A/54/L.73.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.73 (resolution 54/194).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 96.

Observer status for the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources in the General Assembly: draft resolution (A/54/L.7/Rev.2) [162]

The representative of Ecuador made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.7/Rev.2.

The representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Norway, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia) made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.7/Rev.2 (resolution 54/195).

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote.

In accordance with resolution 54/195, the observer for the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources made a statement.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 162.

Monday, 20 December 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

85th plenary meeting

Floods in Venezuela

The President of the General Assembly, on behalf of the Assembly, extended his deepest sympathy to the Government and people of Venezuela for the tragic loss of life and extensive material damage caused by the recent floods that affected the country.

The representative of Venezuela made a statement.

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [38]

Statements were made by the representatives of Slovakia, the United Arab Emirates, Viet Nam, the Syrian Arab Republic, Bhutan, Qatar, Pakistan, the Republic of Korea, the Philippines, the United States, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Belarus, Colombia, the Russian Federation, Bulgaria, Kenya, Iraq, Nepal and Malaysia.

86th plenary meeting

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [38]

Statements were made by the representatives of Chile, Botswana, Austria, Poland, Hungary, Cambodia, Guatemala, Ghana, Guyana (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Georgia, Uruguay, El Salvador, Mongolia, Cameroon, Samoa, Uzbekistan, the Sudan, Cyprus, Zimbabwe, Paraguay, Turkey, Mauritius, Cape Verde, Israel, Papua New Guinea and Lesotho.

The General Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of item 38.

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